

Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A coupling for resilient interconnection of two objects, comprising:

an internal coupling device having a supporting piece, which extends in a a-an axial direction and has an axial supporting piece portion[[],];

a rubber-elastic element, which is arranged around the supporting piece portion and has an outer surface parallel to the axial direction and two end surfaces extending substantially radially to the axial direction[[],]; and

an external coupling device comprising two[[],] approximately cup-shaped abutment members, each member having a tubular wall portion and a bottom portion defining an inner portion of the abutment member, where each tubular wall portion has an inner surface arranged to extend along and radially outside a respective end portion of the outer surface of the rubber-elastic element, and an[[the]] end of the each tubular wall portion facing away from the bottom portion has an end surface, wherein the end surfaces of the tubular wall portions abut each other and an inside wall of each bottom portion facing the inner portion of the abutment member is arranged to abut against an end surface of the rubber elastic element for axial compression ~~thereof~~ when the abutment members are pushed towards each other,

wherein between the tubular wall portions and the rubber-elastic element, an axially extending sleeve is mounted for relative centering of the abutment members and for counteracting penetration of portions of the rubber-elastic element between the end surfaces of the tubular wall portions during axial compression of the rubber-elastic element.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The coupling according to claim 1, wherein between the inside wall of each bottom portion and each end surface of the rubber-elastic element, an annular disc is mounted.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The coupling according to claim 2, wherein the rubber-elastic element is securely connected to the annular discs.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The coupling according to any of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein the rubber-elastic element is securely connected to the supporting piece.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The coupling according to claim 1, wherein the sleeve is securely connected to the rubber-elastic element over the whole or a part of its length.

Claims 6-15 (canceled)